

**ENQUIRY BY  
DESIGN  
WITH LEAPER**

**An Enquiry by Design is an intensive, interactive workshop, typically over two days, which brings together key stakeholders to produce a collective vision for a complex development project.**

The Enquiry by Design process—as championed by The Prince’s Foundation for the Built Environment—is a powerful tool for involving communities, and all interested stakeholders, in the decision making, design, and masterplanning processes.



A shared vision is the result of intensive and creative discussions within a wide stakeholder group.  
Credit: UK GDS

Councillors and local authority officers, members of the local community, local interest groups, agencies, and landowners are invited to join Leaper, and their design team, to come up with a vision for the development of a site that meets local aspirations.

We believe the process is key to creating a development that leaves a lasting legacy.

The Enquiry by Design will be carried out prior to the detailed design of a project. An Enquiry by Design can be carried out in one day but 1.5 days is preferable. As a rough guide the process runs as follows:

## DAY ONE

### Morning

Introduction to the site by Leaper  
(note: no actual development plan is put forward at this stage).

Short presentation on the following:

- ◆ Planning (Leaper's in-house planner and local authority if willing)
- ◆ Site and infrastructure constraints (Leaper and consultants)
- ◆ Architecture (architect)
- ◆ Landscape (landscape architect)
- ◆ Community benefits (Leaper)
- ◆ Custom and self-build (Leaper)
- ◆ Sustainability (Leaper).

Lunch for all participants provided by Leaper.

### Afternoon

Group discussions on the following themes:

- ◆ Urban design layout and quantum of development
- ◆ Architecture and design
- ◆ Community benefits
- ◆ Custom and self-build.

Anyone can join the table discussions and can also move between them.

### Evening

Leaper and the design team draw up proposals which are informed by the day's activities.

## DAY TWO

### Morning

The outcome from the Enquiry by Design is presented back to the group and those that wish to attend from the wider community, followed by a final discussion and question and answer session.



As the Enquiry by Design progresses, the proposals are illustrated by the architect.

Credit: Plans for the Cholmondeley Estate, Ben Pentreath Ltd

Leaper specialise in Custom and Self-Build developments in rural areas of the UK, creating homes and places of the highest quality whilst enabling the buyer to design or configure a home specific to their own needs and aspirations.

We are passionate about placemaking and about leaving a legacy for future generations. We work hard with our expert team to develop frameworks that allow the creativity of the homeowners to flourish whilst maintaining a sense of coherence and harmony within our developments and with the surrounding area.

By choosing to specialise in Custom and Self-Build projects, Leaper has set out to revolutionise housing delivery and create distinctive and popular places through the choices which the homeowners make.

To the best of our knowledge, we are the only land promoter specialising in Custom and Self-Build in the UK.



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